

REMARKS

The first paragraph of the specification, containing the priority data, has been amended to agree with the Corrected Filing Receipt, mailed October 27, 2003. The priority data now reflects the issuance of the '218 patent on February 26, 2002. Additionally, a typographical error concerning the issue date of the '347 patent was corrected. No new matter was introduced as a result of these changes.

In the event that the Examiner finds remaining impediment to a prompt allowance of this application that may be clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

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